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In re Patent Application of:  
Carl MIES et al.

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR DEVICE  
ZONING IN FIBRE CHANNEL ARBITRATED  
LOOP SYSTEMS

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2007, for which a response is due on September 21, 2007, and for which a 1-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from September 21, 2007 to October 22, 2007 (the first business day after October 21, 2007), please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.